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RE: Patent Application # 10/777,691

Title: RT-PCR-based cloning of human SMN, the SMA determining gene, and the construction of its expression plasmids

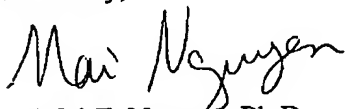
Dear ladies and gentlemen:

Please let us know the status of Patent Application # 10/777,691, filed on 02/13/2004.

We had responded to the 4/13/2004 Notice to File Corrected Application Papers in April 2004 per your request. We do not understand why it has not been forwarded to an examiner.

In advance, thank you for your prompt reply.

Sincerely,



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